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Statement by House Majority Leader Lopez-Cantera on Governor Scott Signing Into Law Responsible State Budget

Tallahassee, Fla. – Florida House Majority Leader Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-Miami) today issued the following statement regarding Governor Scott signing into law the state budget passed by the legislature during the 2011 Legislative Session.

“I am proud of our Members working hard to protect Florida taxpayers’ hard-earned dollars. Our budget responsibly constrained spending, limited the scope of government, and focused on stimulating job creation. More importantly, we accomplished this goal by refusing to raise taxes on our economically burdened citizenry.

“We produced a realistic and dependable budget that prioritizes our spending on what is most important to ensure the safety and security of Floridians. I am pleased this responsible budget was signed into law.

“While I respect the Governor’s constitutional authority to veto line items in the budget, I am displeased by his mischaracterization of the Legislature’s good faith efforts to fund education. Our budget funds education at a higher level than the Governor himself proposed in his budget recommendations. The House of Representatives has been consistent in our prioritization of quality education in the state of Florida from day one.”

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